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From: Berkoff, Michael [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=F347C01A92D7424FA840C24F6B7FBF6B-MBERKOFF]
Sent: 9/11/2017 3:06:42 PM
To: Saric, James [saric.james@epa.gov]; Newman, Erin [newman.erin@epa.gov]
CC: Ruesch, Paul [ruesch.paul@epa.gov]; Russell, Diane [russell.diane@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Citizen's Concern

All,

I asked Bruce Merchant if he had heard anything like this recently. He thinks that this issue has a source at or near the water treatment plant in Kalamazoo. The city is grappling with periodic odors along the river (more likely from the nearby water treatment system). I put Erin in touch with the city water treatment folks and hopefully, they can get to the bottom of this together.

Michael

From: Saric, James
Sent: Friday, September 08, 2017 8:32 PM
To: Newman, Erin <newman.erin@epa.gov>; Berkoff, Michael <berkoff.michael@epa.gov>
Cc: Ruesch, Paul <ruesch.paul@epa.gov>; Russell, Diane <russell.diane@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Citizen's Concern

Erin,

I am not sure where this person lives along the Kalamazoo River. So, we need to figure that out. She indicated she lives in Kalamazoo. We have completed much cleanup in the Kalamazoo River near Kalamazoo. The only significant Superfund cleanup remaining near Kalamazoo is a two mile stretch that begins about 1/4 mile upstream of the confluence of Portage Creek and the Kalamazoo River. So, if she doesn't live near there, I am not sure if the smell she is concerned about is related to PCB contamination in the Kalamazoo River.

EPA is overseeing the cleanup of a 2 mile stretch of the Kalamazoo River near Otsego Mi. If she lives near there we can look into it. However, there have not been any issues with smell.

I am out of the office until Wednesday, so give me a call then.

thanks
 Jim Saric
 6-0992

From: Newman, Erin
Sent: Friday, September 8, 2017 1:35 PM
To: Berkoff, Michael; Saric, James
Cc: Ruesch, Paul; Russell, Diane
Subject: RE: Citizen's Concern

Ok - well I'll send the guy an email. But if Jim or Paul have more information, please send it my way.

Thanks,
Erin

-----Original Message-----

From: Berkoff, Michael
Sent: Friday, September 08, 2017 8:58 AM
To: Newman, Erin <newman.erin@epa.gov>; Saric, James <saric.james@epa.gov>
Cc: Ruesch, Paul <ruesch.paul@epa.gov>; Russell, Diane <russell.diane@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Citizen's Concern

Jim is out. We could also bring in Paul Ruesch to help answer this.

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From: Newman, Erin
Sent: Thursday, September 07, 2017 1:57 PM
To: Saric, James <saric.james@epa.gov>; Berkoff, Michael <berkoff.michael@epa.gov>
Subject: Citizen's Concern

Hi Jim and Michael,

Any thoughts before I reach out? I am going to be Kalamazoo from the 11-13.

Erin

-----Original Message-----

From: Gavin, Megan
Sent: Thursday, September 07, 2017 10:33 AM
To: Newman, Erin <newman.erin@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Hello

Erin-
Please follow up with this resident.

Thanks

-----Original Message-----

From: Russell, Diane
Sent: Thursday, September 07, 2017 10:24 AM
To: Gavin, Megan <gavin.megan@epa.gov>
Cc: Mervenne, Chelsea <mervenne.chelsea@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: Hello

Hey Megan - I got a message today from a Kalamazoo resident concerned about air quality. Can you or someone from your team reach out?

Thanks!

Diane Russell
Community Involvement Coordinator
U.S. EPA Region 5 Superfund Division

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-----Original Message-----

From: **Citizen Name / Ex. 6**

Sent: Thursday, September 07, 2017 10:48 AM

To: Russell, Diane <russell.diane@epa.gov>

Subject: Hello

Good morning Diane, My name is **Citizen Name / Ex. 6** I am a resident of Kalamazoo, Michigan.

I am concerned about the air quality in Kalamazoo, specifically the air quality surrounding the Kalamazoo river. The air quality in that area in the early mornings is very bad smelling and awful to breathe in.

I am also concerned about the long term affect breathing the air has caused our citizens or will cause our citizens.

As a person who is leading the clean up area can you tell me what is planned or what has been planned to improve the air quality in the north side of Kalamazoo near the parchement area?

I will be going on the radio this upcoming Saturday to talk about the issue. Can you pass along any information that I can present to our city in regards to air quality and or clean up of the Kalamazoo river?

Thank you very much for taking time to read this email.

I wish you a great morning.

Citizen Name / Ex. 6

Sent from my iPhone